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DISPATCH NO. MOB-A-8414

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TO : Chief, Foreign Division "M" DATE: 20 March 1951

FROM : Acting Chief of Station, Karlsruhe

SUBJECT: GENERAL: Operational *DAVID H. FRANK*  
SPECIFIC: Field Project Outline - CALAMITOUS-1

RECOMMENDED BY: ☒ ☐ ☐ ☐

February-June 1951

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Acting Chief of Field Installation

26 March 1951  
Date

1. Area of Operations and Headquarters: Germany, Karlsruhe  
(Berlin Operations Base)

2. References: MOB-A-8414; 8415.

3. Aims: a) Objectives: Establishment of continuous communications systems between Berlin and Poland. The exploitation of operational leads connected with Russian nationals believed to be recruitable or defectable. Development of operational leads in the air arm of the Volkspolizei.

b) Targets : German railroad men, bargemen or business men who travel constantly between Berlin and Poland. German personnel who are believed to maintain personal relationship with Soviet nationals. Members of the Luftpolizei.

c) Tasks : To serve as recruiter of new agents having direct connection with targets. After the recruitment, it may be necessary to use subject as means of communication between the case officer and the new agent.

4. Personnel: a) CALAMITOUS-1 (identified in MOB-A-8414)  
b) ☒ (identified in MOB-A-8386)  
c) Subject of MOB-A-8277.

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5. Cover: The agent is engaged in small-scale blackmarket activities in Berlin. Usually, cover will not be necessary since most of the people with whom subject will have contact are his friends or former business contacts. Subject has Polish documentation which can be used when he is traveling in the East Zone. The reason for his travel can be covered by actual visits to relatives in the target areas. The case officer is known as a U.S. intelligence officer.
6. Contact and Communications: Contact is made with CALAMITOUS-1 approximately once a week by picking him up at a prearranged West Berlin subway station or restaurant and taking him to a BOB temporary house. Subject has a classified telephone number for BOB. We also have a telephone number of a garage where subject can be contacted during the day if the need should arise.
7. Control: Control is largely ideological. A control we have which could be used should it be necessary, is evidence that he received monetary reimbursement from a U.S. intelligence agency.
8. Special Equipment: None
9. Coordination: None
10. Timetable: Indefinite. Subject has many operational leads which may require six months to develop. Usefulness after that time will depend on whether his services are needed as courier or cut-out. Subject was engaged in February 1951.
11. Estimated Cost: For project beginning 1 February 1951:
 

Compensation	:	200 West Marks per month
Travel	:	200 East Marks per month
Operational Expenses	:	200 East Marks per month 100 West Marks per month
Supplies	:	2 cartons cigarettes) 2 pounds coffee       ) Per month 2 bottles whiskey     )
Total	:	1500 West Marks and 2000 East Marks for project period.
12. Special Problems and Commitments: No commitments have been made. From our point of view, it may be better to resettle CALAMITOUS-1 in West Germany if enough of his leads develop into full-time agents.